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## IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Add a new paragraph between paragraphs [0027] und [0028] as follows:

It is also possible to transmit a media such as water, oil, air, and electric signals between the center platen 11 and the rotary table 13, e.g. via a line 42.

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## IN THE CLAIMS:

Cancel claim 1 without prejudice.

## Amend the following claims:

- 2. (Amended) The rotary device of claim 4, wherein the base plate has a substantially H-shaped configuration defining a lateral leg placed on the machine bed.
- 3. (Amended) The rotary device of claim 4, wherein base plate has a center of gravity, said rotation axis extending through the center of gravity of the base plate.

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(Amended) A rotary device for a horizontal injection molding machine, comprising a base plate supported on a machine bed of a horizontal injection molding machine; a rotary table supported on the base plate for rotation about a vertical rotation axis, drive means for rotating the rotary table and guide means selected from the group consisting of linear guide and slideways for slideably supporting the base plate.

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- 5. (Amended) A rotary device for a horizontal injection molding machine, comprising a base plate supported on a machine bed of a horizontal injection molding machine; a rotary table supported on the base plate for rotation about a vertical rotation axis, and drive means for rotating the rotary table, wherein the base plate is disposed between confronting mold mounting plates of a mold of the injection molding machine, and so sized as to be spaced from the mold mounting plates, when the mold is closed.
- 6. (Amended) A rotary device for a horizontal injection molding machine, comprising a base plate supported on a machine bed of a horizontal injection molding machine; a rotary table supported on the base plate for rotation about a vertical rotation axis, and drive means for rotating the rotary table, wherein the base plate is disposed between confronting mold mounting plates of a mold of the injection molding machine, and so sized as to project underneath the mold mounting plates into an area outside of the mold mounting plates, when the mold is closed.
- 7. (Amended) A rotary device for a horizontal injection molding machine, comprising a base plate supported on a machine bed of a horizontal injection molding machine; a rotary table supported on the base plate for rotation about a vertical rotation axis, and drive means for rotating the rotary table, wherein the base plate is disposed between confronting mold mounting plates of a mold of the injection molding machine, and further

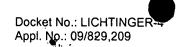


comprising shifting means, connecting the base plate to the mold mounting plates, for displacing the base plate in a longitudinal direction, said shifting means including a member selected from the group consisting of a rack, a spindles, a steep-threaded spindle, and a hydraulic cylinder.

8. (Amended) A rotary device for a horizontal injection molding machine, comprising a base plate supported on a machine bed of a horizontal injection molding machine; a rotary table supported on the base plate for rotation about a vertical rotation axis, drive means for rotating the rotary table; and guide means selected from the group consisting of linear guide and slideways for so supporting the base plate upon the machine bed as to prevent tilting.

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(Amended) A rotary device for a horizontal injection molding machine, comprising a base plate supported on a machine bed of a horizontal injection molding machine; a rotary table supported on the base plate for rotation about a vertical rotation axis, and drive means for rotating the rotary table, wherein the drive means includes a ring gear mounted to the rotary table and a motor, selected from the group consisting of electric motor and hydraulic motor, for driving a gear in mesh with the ring gear on the rotary table.



10. (Amended) A rotary device for a horizontal injection molding machine, comprising a base plate supported on a machine bed of a horizontal injection molding machine; a rotary table supported on the base plate for rotation about a vertical rotation axis, and drive means for rotating the rotary table, wherein the drive means includes a pivot pin extending downwards from the rotary table and projecting through the base plate.

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17. (Amended) The horizontal injection moding machine of claim 12, wherein the base plate has a substantially H-shaped configuration defining parallel legs interconnected by a crosspiece, said crosspiece and said rotary table being so configured that a molded article is able to drop downwards into a free space between the legs of the base plate.

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28. (Amended) A horizontal injection molding machine, comprising:

a machine bed defining a longitud nal axis;

a first mold mounting plate fixedly secured onto the machine bed and

carrying a mold portion;

a second mold mounting plate adapted for traveling relative to the first mold mounting plate and carrying a mold portion;

a rotary device arranged between the first and second mold mounting plates and including a base plate, a rotary table supported on the base plate for rotation about a vertical axis, and drive means for rotating the rotary table;